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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

**April 12, 2005**  
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

**CONNETICS CORPORATION**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other  
Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**0-27406**  
(Commission File No.)

**94-3173928**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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On April 14, 2005 Connetics Corporation (the "Company"), issued a press release announcing that it has signed a Service Agreement with Ventiv Commercial Services Group (VCS), a division of Ventiv Health, Inc. Under the Service Agreement, Ventiv will provide sales support to the Company through fifty sales representatives, five sales managers and one project manager, all employees of Ventiv. Ventiv's sales representatives and managers will be responsible for generating sales of the Company's products, OLUX® (clobetasol propionate) Foam, 0.05%, Luxiq® (betamethasone valerate) Foam, 0.12%, and Evoclin™ (clindamycin) Foam, 1%, in certain territories to primary care physicians and pediatricians. In exchange for Ventiv's services under the Service Agreement, the Company will pay Ventiv a daily fee per Ventiv employee on the account, plus an incentive fee based on certain performance metrics and sales achievement. The Company is also obligated to pay Ventiv a fee if the Company hires or retains, on an individual or group basis, any of Ventiv's sales representatives or managers. If the Company terminates the Service Agreement before the expiration of the term, it may also be required to pay Ventiv certain liquidated damages. Ventiv is scheduled to begin promoting the Products under the Service Agreement on April 18, 2005. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

On April 15, 2005 the Company issued a press release announcing that it has named James A. Trah, Vice President, Marketing. Mr. Trah will be responsible for the leadership and management of all marketing personnel and activities for Connetics including marketing of current products, commercialization of products in development and marketing research and strategic guidance in business development and licensing activities. Additionally, the Company's Board of Directors approved an inducement grant to Mr. Trah of a non-qualified stock option to purchase 50,000 shares of Connetics' common stock. This option award was granted without stockholder approval pursuant to NASDAQ Marketplace Rule 4350(i)(1)(A)(iv) and with the following material terms: (a) an exercise price of \$25.67 which is equal to the fair market value of Connetics' common stock on the grant date (April 13, 2005), (b) a term of 10 years, and (c) a vesting schedule providing that the option is exercisable as to 1/8th of the total grant on the six-month anniversary of Mr. Trah's hire, and 1/48th of the total grant each month thereafter until the grant is fully vested. A copy of the press release announcing the Company's hiring of Mr. Trah is furnished as Exhibit 99.2 to this report.

**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure**

On April 14, 2005, the Company issued a press release which discussed its commercial and product development activities, including longer-term strategic initiatives and goals, and raised 2005 revenue guidance based on a three-product co-promotion agreement with Ventiv Commercial Services Group. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.3 to this report.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.****(c) Exhibits.**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Ventiv Press Release dated April 14, 2005
99.2	Vice President of Marketing Press Release dated April 15, 2005
99.3	Analyst and Investor Day Press Release dated April 14, 2005

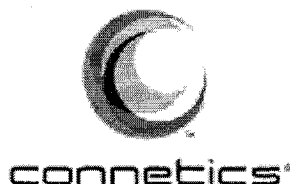
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**CONNETICS REPORTS HIGHLIGHTS OF  
2005 ANALYST AND INVESTOR DAY**

**Company Outlines Long-Term Goals, Raises Revenue Guidance and Reviews  
Robust Product Pipeline**

**PALO ALTO, Calif. (April 14, 2005)** – At its annual Analyst and Investor Day, held this morning in New York City, Connetics Corporation (Nasdaq: CNCT) executives discussed the Company's commercial and product development activities, including longer-term strategic initiatives and goals, and raised 2005 revenue guidance based on a three-product co-promotion agreement announced earlier today. A webcast of the event is available for 30 days at [www.connetics.com](http://www.connetics.com).

**Analyst and Investor Day highlights included:**

- **Outlining the Company's Long-Term Goals:** Connetics' Chief Executive Officer, Thomas G. Wiggans, outlined the Company's long-term growth goals and put them in the context of a rapidly growing medical dermatology market. "Connetics is building the premier U.S. medical dermatology company through best-in-class technology and product innovation, strong commercial capabilities, outstanding customer service and excellent execution," said Wiggans. "This market will grow from \$3.6 billion in 2000 to a projected \$6 billion by 2010. We have aggressive plans to capture an increasing share of this market, and we have set a goal to achieve annual product revenues of \$750 million by the end of the decade. This includes more than \$500 million in annual revenues from products that we currently market or are already in our development pipeline."
  - **Revising 2005 Revenue Guidance Upward:** Connetics is now projecting 2005 total revenue will be between \$195 million and \$206 million, up from prior guidance of \$190 million to \$200 million, which represents an increase of 35% to 42% compared with 2004 total revenue. Guidance for combined SG&A and R&D expense increased to \$121 million to \$128 million from \$116 million to \$123 million. Diluted EPS for 2005 is projected to remain unchanged from previous guidance, and be in the range of \$0.88 to \$0.92. EPS is based on an estimated effective tax rate of 10% and does not take into account the effect of expensing stock options.
  - **Announcing a New Contract Sales Agreement:** Connetics entered into an agreement with Ventiv Commercial Services Group (VCS) in which Ventiv will deploy a 50-person sales force beginning April 18<sup>th</sup> to bring OLUX<sup>®</sup>, Luxiq<sup>®</sup> and Evoclin<sup>™</sup> to a targeted group of primary care physicians and pediatricians. The agreement provides Connetics a cost-effective means for expanding the market reach of these products.
  - **Presenting Desilux<sup>™</sup> VersaFoam-EF Program Data:** Connetics presented positive results from its Desilux-EF (desonide 0.05%) Phase II trial for atopic dermatitis. Subject to a successful Phase III trial outcome, Connetics remains on track to file a New Drug Application by the end of 2005.
  - **Discussing the VersaFoam Delivery Vehicle Platform:** The Company has developed an innovative and broad platform of topical foam-based delivery vehicles, branded as VersaFoam, each of which has its own unique attributes and will address particular patient needs. The first foam formulation, VersaFoam-HF, is a hydroethanolic formulation targeted for hair and non-hair bearing areas; it is neither drying nor hydrating. The second foam formulation, VersaFoam-EF, is an emulsion formulation targeted for non-hair bearing areas; it relieves dryness by providing an elegant moisturizing barrier that does not feel greasy like an ointment or cream. The third generation foam, VersaFoam-AF is an aqueous formulation targeted for hair and non-hair bearing areas; it is ethanol-free and provides a hydrating and cooling effect when applied.
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- **Introducing Clinda/BPO VersaFoam–AF:** In keeping with Connetics' plan to build upon its acne franchise, formulation work has commenced on a benzoyl peroxide 5%, clindamycin 1% product in VersaFoam–AF™, which is the aqueous foam formulation of the Company's proprietary VersaFoam delivery vehicle. This will be the first product developed in Connetics' newest generation foam.
- **Discussing Calcipotriene VersaFoam–EF Trials:** Connetics anticipates commencing clinical trials in the third quarter of 2005 for this Vitamin D analog frequently prescribed as monotherapy and in combination with topical steroids to treat mild-to-moderate psoriasis.

#### About Guidance

Connetics' management considered many factors and assumptions in assessing its financial guidance, including, but not limited to, current and projected prescription information; sales trend data; the potential generic availability of, and competitive threats to, the Company's products; size, reach and call frequency of the Company's selling organization; status, timing and progression of development projects; current and projected spending levels and other risk factors discussed in Connetics' publicly filed documents.

#### About Connetics

Connetics Corporation is a specialty pharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of innovative therapeutics for the dermatology market. Connetics has branded its proprietary foam drug delivery vehicle VersaFoam®. The Company's marketed products are OLUX® (clobetasol propionate) Foam, 0.05%, Luxiq® (betamethasone valerate) Foam, 0.12%, Soriatane® (acitretin) capsules and Evoclin™ (clindamycin) Foam, 1%. Connetics is developing Velac® (a combination of 1% clindamycin and 0.025% tretinoin) Gel, for treating acne, Desilux™ (desonide) VersaFoam–EF, 0.05%, a low-potency topical steroid formulated to treat atopic dermatitis and Primolux™ (clobetasol propionate) VersaFoam–EF, 0.05%, a super high-potency topical steroid formulation to treat atopic dermatitis and plaque psoriasis. Connetics' product formulations aim to improve the management of dermatological diseases and provide significant product differentiation. In Connetics' marketed products, these formulations have earned wide acceptance by both physicians and patients due to their clinical effectiveness, high quality and cosmetic elegance. For more information about Connetics and its products, please visit [www.connetics.com](http://www.connetics.com).

#### Forward-looking Statements

This press release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Securities Litigation Reform Act including, without limitation, those relating to the Company's goals, projected revenues and earnings, and product development plans. These statements are based on certain assumptions made by Connetics' management based on its experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions, expected future developments and other factors it believes are appropriate in the circumstances. These statements are also subject to a number of assumptions, risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond Connetics' control, and which could cause actual results or events to differ materially from those expressed in such forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause or contribute to such differences include, without limitation, risks and other factors that are discussed in documents filed by Connetics with the Securities and Exchange Commission from time to time, including Connetics' Annual Report on form 10-K filed for the year ended December 31, 2004. Forward-looking statements represent the judgment of the Company's management as of the date of this release, and Connetics disclaims any intent or obligation to update any forward-looking statements.

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On April 26, 2005 Connetics Corporation, issued a press release announcing earnings for the quarter ended March 31, 2005. A copy of the earnings release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

Over the past several weeks Connetics has been responding to the Food and Drug Administration's, ("FDA") questions regarding the Company's New Drug Application ("NDA") for its product candidate Velac. As part of this dialogue, the Company recently received communications from the FDA indicating that the agency was interpreting some of the results of a pre-clinical study for Velac<sup>®</sup> Gel differently than the Company did in the NDA submission. The preclinical study in question involved a transgenic mouse model. In the study, there was a positive response to the product. The Company carefully analyzed the results with a panel of leading toxicologists and experts in this model. The experts advised the Company that the transgenic mouse model is known to have limitations, and the experts concluded that the positive response was the result of a limitation of the model. The advice of these experts is supported by other products which had a positive finding but were ultimately approved based on additional work in other animal models. The Company is continuing its discussions with the FDA and expects to submit additional information which further supports the Company's original conclusion.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits.

**Exhibit  
No.****Description**

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**CONNETICS CORPORATION**

By: /s/ John L. Higgins

John L. Higgins  
Executive Vice President, Finance and Corporate  
Development, and Chief Financial Officer

Date: April 26, 2005

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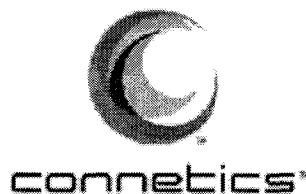
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**CONNETICS ANNOUNCES FIRST QUARTER RESULTS  
WITH PRODUCT SALES UP 79 PERCENT**

**PALO ALTO, Calif. (April 26, 2005) – Connetics Corporation (Nasdaq: CNCT)**, a specialty pharmaceutical company that develops and commercializes dermatology products, announced today net income for the first quarter ended March 31, 2005 of \$1.0 million, or \$0.03 per diluted share. This compares with net income of \$1.9 million, or \$0.05 per diluted share, for the first quarter of 2004.

Total revenues for the first quarter of 2005 were \$42.4 million, compared with total revenues of \$25.0 million for the comparable period in 2004. Total product sales for the first quarter of 2005 increased 79% to \$42.2 million, compared with \$23.6 million for the comparable period in 2004, reflecting growth in sales of OLUX<sup>®</sup> and Luxiq<sup>®</sup>, a full quarter of sales of Soriatane<sup>®</sup>, which was acquired in March 2004, and our first full quarter of sales of Evoclin<sup>™</sup>, which was introduced in December 2004.

First quarter 2005 sales of OLUX and Luxiq were \$21.4 million, representing an increase of 8% over the same period in 2004. Soriatane sales were \$17.6 million during the quarter and Evoclin sales were \$3.1 million. Royalty and contract revenues for the first quarter of 2005 were \$181,000 lower as compared with \$1.4 million in the first quarter of 2004, primarily as a result of the final royalty payment from S.C. Johnson in the first quarter of 2004.

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the first quarter of 2005 increased to \$27.6 million from \$15.1 million in the same period last year, reflecting a more than doubling of the sales force, non-dermatology promotional activities provided by UCB Pharma, Inc. as well as marketing and promotional activities related to the launch of Evoclin. Research and development expenses were \$5.8 million during the quarter, compared with \$4.3 million during the same period last year, due to increased clinical activities related to the ongoing Desilux<sup>™</sup> VersaFoam-EF<sup>™</sup> trials and the initiation of trials for Primolux<sup>™</sup> VersaFoam-EF.

The Company had cash and investments, including restricted cash, as of March 31, 2005 of \$237.8 million, including \$159.0 million in net proceeds from the private placement of convertible senior notes late in the first quarter.

"I am very pleased to report on a busy first quarter that included sales from our newly launched Evoclin product and the successful completion of a \$200 million convertible financing," said Thomas G. Wiggins, Chief Executive Officer of Connetics. "We expect further revenue gains from our expanded sales force and new contract sales agreement with Ventiv for three of our products. Additionally, we have a number of near-term regulatory and clinical milestones as outlined during our Analyst and Investor Day event held on April 14, 2005."

Significant activities in the first quarter of 2005 and subsequent weeks included:

- Signing an agreement with Ventiv Commercial Services Group (VCS), a division of Ventiv Health, Inc., to deploy a sales force dedicated to provide sales support for OLUX, Luxiq and Evoclin to primary care physicians and pediatricians through 2006. Product promotional activities under the agreement commenced on April 18, 2005.

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- Commencing the Phase III clinical program for Primolux VersaFoam-EF (formerly referred to as OLUX-EF), a super high-potency topical steroid, formulated with 0.05% clobetasol propionate in the Company's proprietary emulsion foam delivery vehicle. The clinical program will consist of two Phase III trials focusing on atopic dermatitis and psoriasis both of which are actively enrolling.
- Raising \$200 million in an offering of convertible senior unsecured notes. Connetics used \$35 million of the net proceeds from the offering to complete an open market purchase of the Company's common stock.
- Presenting 11 posters at the American Academy of Dermatology's 63<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting.

#### Financial Guidance

For the second quarter of 2005, Connetics projects total revenue of \$45 million to \$47 million. Second quarter combined SG&A and R&D expenses are projected to be in the range of \$34 million to \$36 million. Earnings per diluted share for the second quarter of 2005 are projected to be \$0.06 to \$0.08.

Reiterating 2005 financial guidance as updated on April 14, 2005, the Company anticipates total revenues to be in the range of \$195 million to \$206 million and combined SG&A and R&D expenses to be in the range of \$121 million to \$128 million. Earnings per diluted share for 2005 are expected to be \$0.88 to \$0.92. 2005 guidance assumes the launch of Velac in the third quarter.

In determining the Company's financial guidance, Connetics' management considered many factors and assumptions including, but not limited to, current and projected prescription information; sales trend data of the Company's products; the potential generic availability of, and competitive threats to, the Company's products; size, reach and call frequency of the Company's selling organization; status, timing and progression of the Company's development projects; current and projected spending levels to support sales, marketing, development, and administrative activities; and other risk factors discussed in Connetics' publicly filed documents. The above guidance does not take into account conversion of the Company's convertible senior notes, the effect of expensing stock options or the potential impact of other components of Connetics' growth strategy, including possible future acquisitions of products, businesses and/or technologies.

#### Conference Call

On the conference call, Connetics management will review key updates on areas including quarterly product performance, commercialization activities, the Ventiv co-promotion partnership, product pipeline, and financial highlights. In addition, management will provide an update on the regulatory status of Velac. Connetics will host a conference call to discuss first quarter financial results beginning at 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time/1:30 p.m. Pacific Time today. To participate in the live call by telephone, domestic callers should dial (888) 328-2575, and international callers should dial (706) 643-0459. To listen to the conference call live via the Internet, go to the investor relations section of [www.connetics.com](http://www.connetics.com). A telephone replay will be available for 48 hours beginning today at 6:30 p.m. Eastern Time/3:30 p.m. Pacific Time. To access the replay from the U.S., please dial (800) 642-1687; and from outside the U.S. please dial (706) 645-9291. The Conference ID# is 5419652. The internet replay of the call will be available for 30 days at [www.connetics.com](http://www.connetics.com).

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**Forward Looking Statements**

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**CONNETICS CORPORATION**  
**Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations**  
(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

	<b>Three Months Ended March 31,</b>	
	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
Revenues:		
Product	\$ 42,190	\$ 23,566
Royalty and contract	181	1,416
Total revenues	42,371	24,982
Operating costs and expenses:		
Cost of product revenues	3,766	1,568
Research and development	5,763	4,286
Selling, general and administrative	27,601	15,072
Depreciation and amortization	3,742	1,648
Total operating costs and expenses	40,872	22,574
Income from operations	1,499	2,408
Interest and other income (expense), net	(353)	(292)
Provision for income taxes	(105)	(243)
Net income	\$ 1,041	\$ 1,873
Net income per share:		
Basic	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.06
Diluted	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.05
Shares used to calculate net income per share:		
Basic	35,699	33,587
Diluted	38,014	35,887

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**CONNETICS CORPORATION**  
**Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets**  
(In thousands)  
(Unaudited)

	<b>March 31, 2005</b>	<b>December 31, 2004</b>
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Assets:</b>		
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments	\$ 233,705	\$ 72,383
Restricted cash	4,109	3,963
Accounts receivable and other current assets	26,847	25,099
Other intangible assets, net	118,988	122,388
Property and equipment, net	12,813	11,830
Other long-term assets	17,879	10,065
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 414,341</b>	<b>\$ 245,728</b>
<b>Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity</b>		
<b>Liabilities and stockholders' equity:</b>		
Current liabilities	\$ 28,438	\$ 27,388
Other liabilities	290,446	90,420
Stockholders' equity	95,457	127,920
<b>Total liabilities and stockholders' equity</b>	<b>\$ 414,341</b>	<b>\$ 245,728</b>

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**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press Release dated June 13, 2005 regarding Velac.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**CONNETICS CORPORATION**

By: /s/ Sanjiv S. Dhawan  
 Sanjiv S. Dhawan  
 Vice President, Corporate Counsel

Date: June 13, 2005

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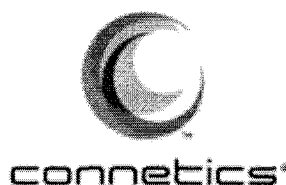
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## CONNETICS RECEIVES FDA NON-APPROVABLE LETTER FOR VELAC

**Conference Call to be held today at 8:00 a.m. Eastern/5:00 a.m. Pacific**

**PALO ALTO, Calif. (June 13, 2005)** — **Connetics Corporation (NASDAQ: CNCT)**, a specialty pharmaceutical company focused on dermatology, announced today that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) issued a non-approvable letter dated June 10, 2005 for Velac<sup>®</sup> (a combination of 1% clindamycin and 0.025% tretinoin) Gel, an investigational new drug formulation for treating acne. The only issue raised in the non-approvable letter was a positive carcinogenicity signal that was detected in a TgAC mouse dermal carcinogenicity study.

"We are disappointed in the FDA's decision. As discussed during our first quarter earnings call on April 26, we were particularly disappointed that FDA did not notify us of this as a potential issue until two months prior to the PDUFA date," said Thomas G. Wiggans, chief executive officer of Connetics. "We remain committed to bringing Velac to market, and will be working with FDA representatives to determine what is required to do so. Despite this setback, Connetics will continue to expand its leading position in the dermatology field with four brands on the market and a robust and diverse pipeline."

As a result of today's announcement, Connetics now projects 2005 total revenues to be \$182 million to \$188 million, down from previous guidance of \$195 million to \$206 million. Combined SG&A and R&D expenses for 2005 are projected to be between \$121.5 million and \$125.0 million. Diluted EPS for 2005 is projected to be in the range of \$0.66 to \$0.70, versus previous guidance of \$0.88 to \$0.92. The revised revenue and earnings guidance represents growth of approximately 28% over 2004 revenues and 33% over 2004 earnings.

### Conference Call

Connetics will host a conference call to discuss Velac and the non-approvable letter today beginning at 8:00 a.m. eastern/5:00 a.m. pacific. To participate in the live call by telephone, domestic callers should dial (888) 328-2575, and international callers should dial (706) 643-0459. A telephone replay will be available for 96 hours beginning today at 10:00 a.m. eastern. To access the replay from the U.S., please dial (800) 642-1687; and from outside the U.S. please dial (706) 645-9291. The Conference ID# is 7101457. An internet broadcast will only be available in replay mode starting June 14<sup>th</sup> for 30 days at [www.connetics.com](http://www.connetics.com).

### About Connetics

Connetics Corporation is a specialty pharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of innovative therapeutics for the dermatology market. Connetics has branded its proprietary foam drug delivery vehicle VersaFoam<sup>®</sup>. The Company's marketed products are OLUX<sup>®</sup> (clobetasol propionate) Foam, 0.05%, Luxiq<sup>®</sup> (betamethasone valerate) Foam, 0.12%, Soriatane<sup>®</sup> (acitretin) capsules and Evoclin<sup>™</sup> (clindamycin) Foam, 1%. Connetics is developing Velac<sup>®</sup> (a combination of 1% clindamycin and 0.025% tretinoin) Gel, for treating acne, Desilux<sup>™</sup> (desonide) VersaFoam-EF, 0.05%, a low-potency topical steroid formulated to treat atopic dermatitis, Primolux<sup>™</sup> (clobetasol propionate) VersaFoam-EF, 0.05%, a super high-potency topical steroid formulation to treat atopic dermatitis and plaque psoriasis and Extina<sup>®</sup>, a foam formulation of the antifungal drug ketoconazole. Connetics' product formulations aim to improve the management of dermatological diseases and provide significant product differentiation. In Connetics' marketed products, these formulations have earned wide acceptance by both physicians and patients due to their clinical

effectiveness, high quality and cosmetic elegance. For more information about Connetics and its products, please visit [www.connetics.com](http://www.connetics.com).

**Forward Looking Statements**

This press release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Securities Litigation Reform Act. Statements about the impact of the non-approvable letter from the FDA to our business, our future plans for Velac, and projections for revenues and earnings for 2005 are forward-looking statements. These statements are based on certain assumptions made by Connetics' management based on experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions, expected future developments and other factors it believes are appropriate in the circumstances. Such statements are subject to a number of assumptions, risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond Connetics' control, and which could cause actual results or events to differ materially from those expressed in such forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to, risks and other factors that are discussed in documents filed by Connetics with the Securities and Exchange Commission from time to time, including Connetics' Annual Report on form 10-K filed for the year ending December 31, 2004 and form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2005. Forward-looking statements represent the judgment of the Company's management as of the date of this release, and Connetics disclaims any intent or obligation to update any forward-looking statements.

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**FORM 8-K**  
CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 2, 2005  
**CONNETICS CORPORATION**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or Other  
Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

0-27406  
(Commission File No.)

94-3173928  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On August 2, 2005 Connetics Corporation, issued a press release announcing earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 2005. A copy of the earnings release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release dated August 2, 2005.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CONNETICS CORPORATION

By: /s/ John L. Higgins

John L. Higgins  
Executive Vice President, Finance and  
Corporate Development, and Chief Financial  
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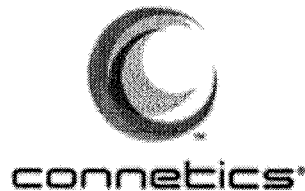
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**CONNETICS SECOND QUARTER REVENUES INCREASE 19 PERCENT  
OLUX, Soriatane and Evoclin Achieve All-Time Quarterly Prescription Highs  
Company Increases Full-Year Revenue Guidance**

**PALO ALTO, Calif. (August 2, 2005)** — **Connetics Corporation (NASDAQ: CNCT)**, a specialty pharmaceutical company that develops and commercializes dermatology products, announced today total revenues for the second quarter of 2005 were \$45.4 million, an increase of 19% compared with 2004 second quarter total revenues of \$38.3 million. During the second quarter of 2005 prescriptions written for OLUX<sup>®</sup>, Soriatane<sup>®</sup> and Evoclin<sup>™</sup> reached all-time quarterly highs.

Second quarter sales of Soriatane were \$18.3 million. Evoclin, launched in the fourth quarter of 2004, continued its strong introduction with sales of \$7.0 million during the quarter, of which nearly \$1 million represented sales to a U.S.-based distributor that exports branded pharmaceutical products to select international markets. This distributor relationship has been in place for Soriatane, OLUX and Luxiq<sup>®</sup> since 2004. Sales of OLUX during the quarter totaled \$14.0 million. The product continues to enjoy strong prescription growth; however, net sales for the second quarter reflect a charge for unusually high wholesaler returns of approximately \$2.3 million. The product returns are related to expired and estimated expiring product inventory at wholesalers, arising from past distribution practices by the wholesalers that are not expected to repeat under recently entered distribution service agreements. With these agreements in place, Connetics believes it has taken an appropriate one-time provision to address the OLUX returns. Sales of Luxiq during the quarter totaled \$5.8 million.

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the second quarter of 2005 increased to \$25.1 million from \$17.2 million in the same period last year, reflecting expenses related to a near doubling of the Company's sales force, marketing and promotional activities related to the launch of Evoclin, and expenses related to the anticipated launch of Velac<sup>®</sup>. Research and development expenses for the second quarter of 2005 were \$8.8 million, compared with \$5.0 million last year, reflecting increased clinical activities including ongoing Phase III trials for Desilux<sup>™</sup> VersaFoam-EF<sup>™</sup> and Primolux<sup>™</sup> VersaFoam-EF.

Net income for the second quarter of 2005 was \$2.5 million, or \$0.07 per diluted share. This compares with net income of \$7.5 million, or \$0.19 per diluted share, for the second quarter of 2004, and primarily reflects anticipated higher costs in 2005 associated with planned sales, marketing and product development programs.

The Company completed a Phase III Desilux clinical trial and expects to announce results in the third quarter of 2005. Assuming successful results, the Company anticipates filing a New Drug Application (NDA) in the fourth quarter of 2005. The Primolux clinical development program involves two separate Phase III trials; patient enrollment in the psoriasis trial is complete while patient enrollment in the atopic dermatitis trial continues. The Company expects to report Primolux Phase III results for both trials during the fourth quarter of 2005 and to submit an NDA to the FDA during the first quarter of 2006.

Connetics' cash and investments, including restricted cash, as of June 30, 2005 totaled \$256.3 million.

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"This quarter marked another solid performance by Connetics, with strong prescription growth across all of our products," said Thomas G. Wiggans, Chief Executive Officer of Connetics. "We are very pleased with the continued adoption of Evoclin as well as the refill prescriptions we are beginning to see. For the second half of the year, we anticipate an increased contribution from our co-promotion partnership with Ventiv, and will continue to focus on pipeline projects including the commencement of the Extina Phase III program in the third quarter of 2005. We are disappointed with the non-approvable letter we received for Velac in June. Addressing the FDA issues remains our highest priority as we work with the agency to determine requirements to obtain product approval for Velac."

#### **Year-to-Date Financials**

For the six months ended June 30, 2005 total revenues were \$87.7 million, an increase of 39% compared with total revenues of \$63.2 million for the first half of 2004.

SG&A expenses were \$52.7 million compared with \$32.3 million in the first half of 2004, reflecting the larger sales force, and marketing and promotional activities related to Evoclin and Velac. R&D expenses year to date were \$14.6 million, up from \$9.2 million last year as pivotal trials for Desilux and Primolux commenced this year.

Net income was \$3.5 million, or \$0.09 per diluted share, compared with net income of \$9.3 million, or \$0.25 per diluted share, for the comparable period last year.

#### **Financial Guidance**

For the third quarter of 2005, Connetics projects total revenues of \$47.5 million to \$49.5 million, and combined SG&A and R&D expenses in the range of \$30 million to \$31 million. Earnings per diluted share for the third quarter of 2005 are projected to be \$0.22 to \$0.24.

For the full year, the Company is increasing revenue and expense guidance and now anticipates total revenues to be in the range of \$185 million to \$190 million, compared with prior guidance of \$182 million to \$188 million. Combined SG&A and R&D expenses are now projected to be in the range of \$125 million to \$127 million, compared with prior guidance of \$121.5 million to \$125 million. Earnings per diluted share guidance for 2005 remains unchanged and is expected to be \$0.66 to \$0.70.

In determining the Company's financial guidance, Connetics' management considered many factors and assumptions including, but not limited to, current and projected prescription information; sales trend data of the Company's products; the potential generic availability of, and competitive threats to, the Company's products; size, reach and call frequency of the Company's selling organization; status, timing and progression of the Company's development projects; current and projected spending levels to support sales, marketing, development, and administrative activities; and other risk factors discussed in Connetics' publicly filed documents. The above guidance does not take into account the effect of expensing stock options or the potential impact of other components of Connetics' growth strategy, including possible future acquisitions of products, businesses and/or technologies.

#### **Conference Call**

Connetics will host a conference call to review key updates on areas including quarterly product performance, commercialization activities, the Ventiv co-promotion partnership, product pipeline, and financial highlights beginning at 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time/1:30 p.m. Pacific Time today. To participate in the live call by telephone, domestic callers should dial (888) 328-2575, and international callers should dial (706) 643-0459. To listen to the conference call live via the Internet, go to the investor relations section of [www.connetics.com](http://www.connetics.com); a replay will be available for 30 days. The telephone replay will be available for 48 hours beginning today at 6:30 p.m. Eastern Time/3:30 p.m. Pacific Time by dialing (800) 642-1687 from the U.S. and (706) 645-9291 from outside the U.S. The Conference ID# is 7643227.

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**Forward Looking Statements**

Except for historical information, this press release includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Securities Litigation Reform Act. All statements included in this press release that address activities, events or developments that Connetics expects, believes or anticipates will or may occur in the future, including, particularly, statements about earnings estimates, future financial performance, and financial guidance, are forward-looking statements. Statements pertaining to revenue expectations, revenue growth, and regulatory and clinical milestones associated with Connetics' products or product candidates are also forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based on certain assumptions made by Connetics' management based on its experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions, expected future developments and other factors it believes are appropriate in the circumstances. Such statements are subject to a number of assumptions, risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond Connetics' control, and which could cause actual results or events to differ materially from those expressed in such forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to, risks and other factors that are discussed in documents filed by Connetics with the Securities and Exchange Commission from time to time, including Connetics' Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004 and form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2005. Forward-looking statements represent the judgment of the Company's management as of the date of this release, and Connetics disclaims any intent or obligation to update any forward-looking statements.

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**CONNETICS CORPORATION**  
**Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations**  
(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

	<b>Three Months Ended June 30,</b>		<b>Six Months Ended June 30,</b>	
	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
Revenues:				
Product	\$ 45,239	\$ 37,999	\$ 87,429	\$ 61,565
Royalty and contract	130	254	311	1,670
Total revenues	45,369	38,253	87,740	63,235
Operating costs and expenses:				
Cost of product revenues	4,982	3,578	8,748	5,146
Research and development	8,808	4,957	14,571	9,243
Selling, general and administrative	25,076	17,239	52,677	32,311
Depreciation and amortization	3,829	3,767	7,571	5,415
Total operating costs and expenses	42,695	29,541	83,567	52,115
Income from operations	2,674	8,712	4,173	11,120
Interest and other income (expense), net	(19)	(608)	(372)	(900)
Income before income taxes	2,655	8,104	3,801	10,220
Provision for income taxes	153	647	258	890
Net income	\$ 2,502	\$ 7,457	\$ 3,543	\$ 9,330
Net income per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.27
Diluted <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.25
Shares used to calculate net income per share:				
Basic	34,825	35,242	35,259	34,439
Diluted <sup>(1)</sup>	37,093	41,627	37,785	40,925

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In accordance with SFAS No. 128, using the If-Converted Method, interest expense and amortized deal costs of \$649,000 related to 2.25% convertible senior notes due in 2008 has been added back to net income for purposes of calculating net income per diluted share for the three month period ended June 30, 2004. Shares used to calculate net income per diluted share for the three month period ended June 30, 2004 include the dilutive effect of shares issuable upon exercise of outstanding stock options and warrants plus the effect of \$90.0 million 2.25% convertible senior notes, which convert to approximately 4.2 million shares. No adjustment for the 2.25% convertible senior notes was made to the shares for the six months ended June 30, 2004 or the three or six months ended June 30, 2005 as the effect was antidilutive to earnings per share.

**CONNETICS CORPORATION**  
**Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets**  
**(In thousands)**  
**(Unaudited)**

	June 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Assets:</b>		
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments	\$ 252,211	\$ 72,383
Restricted cash	4,059	3,963
Accounts receivable and other current assets	34,401	35,750
Other intangible assets, net	115,589	122,388
Property and equipment, net	14,045	11,830
Other long-term assets	17,733	9,978
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 438,038</b>	<b>\$ 256,292</b>
<b>Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity</b>		
<b>Liabilities and stockholders' equity:</b>		
Current liabilities	\$ 46,454	\$ 37,952
Other liabilities	290,471	90,420
Stockholders' equity	101,113	127,920
<b>Total liabilities and stockholders' equity</b>	<b>\$ 438,038</b>	<b>\$ 256,292</b>

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

**FORM 8-K**  
CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 3, 2006

**CONNETICS CORPORATION**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

0-27406

94-3173928

(State or Other  
Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

(Commission File No.)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

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On May 3, 2006, Connetics Corporation, or the Company, issued a press release announcing its preliminary results for the quarter ended March 31, 2006, and its intent to restate financial results for prior periods. A copy of the earnings release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

**Item 4.02 Non-Reliance on Previously Issued Financial Statements or a Related Audit Report or Completed Interim Review**

On May 3, 2006, the Company concluded that its financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2005, and potentially additional periods, should no longer be relied upon. The Company has determined that its rebate reserves as of the end of 2005 were understated. Rebates are contractual discounts offered to government programs and private health plans which are eligible for rebates at the time prescriptions are dispensed, subject to various conditions. The Company records quarterly reserve provisions for rebates by estimating rebate liability for product sold, based on factors such as timing and terms of plans under contract, time to process rebates, product pricing, sales volumes, units held by distributors, and prescription trends. Upon review, the Company has concluded that the rebate rates and method used to calculate the rebate liability did not fully capture the impact of these factors in its historical provision. Accordingly, the Company plans to restate its financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2005, and potentially additional periods.

The Company intends to file an amended Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005 and any other required amendments to its annual and periodic reports, which will include the restated financial statements, as soon as practicable after the Company completes its internal review and restatement of its financial statements and the external audit process is completed. The Company does not expect that it will be able to complete this process and make these filings before May 10, 2006, the deadline for timely filing the Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2006.

The increase in the historical provision for rebate reserves will have the effect of decreasing revenues and earnings, accrued liabilities and retained earnings figures contained in our historical financial statements. We do not believe that this restatement will have an impact on the Company's historical cash position or operating expenses.

The Company and the audit committee of its board of directors have discussed the matters disclosed in this Current Report on Form 8-K with Ernst & Young LLP, the Company's independent registered public accounting firm.

Additionally, the Company is evaluating Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting set forth in Item 9A on page 49 of the Company's 2005 Annual Report on Form 10-K. Although the Company has not yet completed its analysis of the impact of this situation on its internal controls over financial reporting, the need to restate prior period financial statements makes it highly likely that the Company had a material weakness in internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2005, and may have a material weakness in internal control over financial reporting as of other dates. A material weakness is a control deficiency, or a combination of control deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected. The existence of one or more material weaknesses means the Company could not conclude that its internal controls over financial reporting were effective as of year end. If the Company were to conclude

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that a material weakness existed as of December 31, 2005, it would expect to receive an adverse opinion on internal control over financial reporting from its independent registered public accounting firm.

On May 3, 2006, the Company issued a press release announcing its intent to restate financial statements for prior periods. A copy of the press release disclosing the planned restatement is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated in this Item 4.02 by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release dated May 3, 2006.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CONNETICS CORPORATION

By: /s/ Katrina J. Church

Katrina J. Church  
Executive Vice President, Legal Affairs  
General Counsel and Secretary

Date: May 3, 2006

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**CONNETICS REPORTS PRELIMINARY RESULTS FOR FIRST QUARTER 2006**

**Company to Restate Past Financial Results to Reflect Increased Rebate Reserve**

**Adjusts 2006 Financial Guidance Due to Increased Product Competition**

**PALO ALTO, Calif. (May 3, 2006)** – **Connetics Corporation (Nasdaq: CNCT)**, a specialty pharmaceutical company that develops and commercializes dermatology products, today announced preliminary financial results for the first quarter of 2006 and its plans to restate financial results for prior periods.

**First Quarter Results**

On a preliminary basis, net income for the first quarter ended March 31, 2006 was \$0.8 million, or \$0.02 earnings per share on a diluted basis, including stock-based compensation expense of \$1.6 million, or \$0.05 per diluted share, reflecting the adoption of SFAS 123R, accounting for stock-based compensation, as of January 1, 2006. On a non-GAAP basis excluding stock-based compensation, net income for the first quarter of 2006 was \$2.4 million, or \$0.07 per diluted share.

Total revenues for the first quarter of 2006 were \$47.7 million, including Soriatane® sales of \$19.0 million, OLUX® sales of \$14.1 million, Evoclin® sales of \$8.0 million and Luxiq® sales of \$6.2 million. Royalty and contract revenues for the quarter were \$0.4 million. These revenue amounts reflect the Company's preliminary application of the revised rebate accounting described below.

Selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expenses for the first quarter of 2006 were \$30.8 million. SG&A expenses included costs for the Company's new pediatric sales organization which was acquired in the first quarter, and stock-based compensation of \$1.3 million. Research and development (R&D) expenses for the first quarter of 2006 were \$8.4 million, reflecting the Company's late-stage clinical and regulatory activities, including the user fee for the NDA submission for Primolux™ and Extina® clinical costs, as well as stock-based compensation of \$349,000.

During the first quarter of 2006, the Company repurchased approximately 143,100 shares of its common stock for approximately \$2.2 million, under its \$50 million share repurchase program authorized in 2005. As of March 31, 2006, Connetics had cash and investments, including restricted cash of \$248.3 million.

**Restatement of Prior Periods to Adjust Rebate Reserves**

Rebates are contractual discounts offered to government programs and to private health plans that are eligible for rebates at the time prescriptions are dispensed, subject to various conditions. The Company records quarterly reserve provisions for rebates by estimating rebate liability for product sold taking into consideration a number of factors including timing and terms of managed care contracts, time to process rebates, product pricing, sales volumes, units held by distributors and prescription trends. Upon review, the Company has concluded that the rebate rates and method used to calculate the rebate liability in prior periods did not fully capture the impact of these factors, and estimates that the cumulative impact of the change as of December 31, 2005 is approximately \$8.0 million to \$9.0 million. The estimated increased rebate reserve amount represents approximately 1.7% of cumulative total reported net sales for Connetics' four products.

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By recording the additional rebate reserve to the balance sheet, aggregate historic net sales will be reduced by the amount of the reserve provision and net income and earnings per share will be reduced as well. A full analysis is underway to determine in which past periods the adjustment should be recorded and the amount of each such adjustment. Connetics is analyzing the restatement adjustments, and the estimated increased reserve amount described above is preliminary and subject to audit. The estimated increased rebate provision does not take into account any other potential adjustments in prior years that might arise. Connetics will file its Form 10-Q for the first quarter of 2006 with finalized first quarter results as well as its restated financial statements in amendments to prior reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission as soon as is practicable; the final reserve amount and the impact on prior-period revenues, net income and earnings per share will be available in these filings. The Form 10-Q for the first quarter of 2006 will be filed immediately after the restated prior year filings are amended.

In light of the restatement, investors should rely on Connetics' forthcoming restated financial statements and other financial information rather than previously filed financial statements and other financial information.

#### **Business Highlights**

"We had a busy and productive first quarter hitting all-time prescription highs with Evoclin, submitting a New Drug Application (NDA) for Primolux and licensing a new product technology for development," said Thomas G. Wiggins, Chief Executive Officer of Connetics. "In addition, we completed our acquisition of a pediatric sales force, which is now trained and in the field promoting Evoclin and Luxiq. While we have experienced increased pressure from recent competitive product launches, we remain focused on commercial success with our four marketed brands. We also are committed to product development, and our current product pipeline is larger than at any time in the Company's history. We currently have more than 10 products in development, with three having the potential to be approved and launched during the coming 18 months. Clearly a short-term priority is to file our restated financial results, but the revised accounting does not affect our underlying business model or growth prospects."

Significant activities in the first quarter of 2006 and subsequent weeks included:

- Acquiring the 80 territory sales organization of PediaMed Pharmaceuticals, Inc. This strategic acquisition leverages Connetics' commercial portfolio into an important market where the Company previously had limited presence, and expands its sales force to approximately 200 representatives calling on dermatologists and pediatricians.
- In-licensing technology rights for a potential treatment for hyperhidrosis (excessive sweating), and initiating a formulation development program utilizing this technology.
- Submitting a Citizen Petition to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) requesting that any generic products that reference Soriatane (acitretin) meet several criteria in addition to rigorous bioequivalency testing prior to approval.
- Submitting an NDA to the FDA for Primolux™, a super-high potency topical steroid for the treatment of psoriasis and atopic dermatitis, formulated with 0.05% clobetasol propionate in the Company's proprietary VersaFoam-EF™ emulsion foam delivery vehicle.
- Receiving issuance of a second U.S. patent that covers Connetics' emulsion foam vehicle. This newly issued patent, along with one issued in 2004, provides patent protection for products incorporating Connetics' VersaFoam-EF formulation. Desilux™ and Primolux are based on the VersaFoam-EF technology. An NDA has been submitted for each product.
- Presenting eight posters at the American Academy of Dermatology's 64<sup>th</sup> annual meeting, demonstrating Connetics commitment to innovation, and the depth and breadth of its development

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capability.

- Also, in January 2006 technology developed by Connetics was approved for sale. Pfizer received FDA approval for Men's Rogaine<sup>®</sup> (minoxidil, 5%) foam using Connetics' VersaFoam<sup>®</sup> technology. Connetics anticipates receiving initial royalties from sales of this product beginning in late 2006.

#### **Financial Guidance**

For the second quarter of 2006, Connetics projects total revenues of \$50.5 million to \$52.5 million. Second quarter operating expenses, including depreciation, are projected to be in the range of \$37 million to \$38 million. Connetics projects earnings per share on a diluted basis for the second quarter of 2006 of \$0.07 to \$0.09, including an estimated \$1.6 million or approximately \$0.04 per diluted share impact from expensing stock-based compensation. Non-GAAP diluted EPS for the second quarter of 2006 excluding expense for stock-based compensation is projected to be in the range of \$0.11 to \$0.13. Based on information currently available to the Company, Connetics is lowering 2006 revenue guidance. Total revenues are now expected to be \$211 million to \$217 million, compared with prior guidance of \$221 million to \$225 million, reflecting increased competition in the psoriasis market. Total operating expenses for 2006, including depreciation, are unchanged and projected to be between \$146 million and \$148 million. Diluted EPS for 2006 is projected to be in the range of \$0.44 to \$0.50, including an estimated \$6.8 million or \$0.17 per diluted share in stock-based compensation expense. This diluted EPS forecast assumes a 38% tax rate and a diluted "If-Converted" share count of approximately 39.7 million shares. This compares with previous guidance for 2006 diluted EPS of \$0.49 to \$0.53. Non-GAAP diluted EPS for 2006 excluding the expense for stock-based compensation is projected to be in the range of \$0.61 to \$0.67, compared with prior guidance of \$0.67 to \$0.71. This financial guidance reflects the Company's preliminary application of the new accounting methodology for rebate reserves.

The Company's financial guidance is based on a number of factors involving estimates and assumptions, and changes in these factors would affect actual future results. These factors include, among others, current and projected prescription information; sales trend data of the Company's products; the potential generic availability of, and competitive threats to, the Company's products; size, reach and call frequency of the Company's selling organization; status, timing and progression of the Company's development projects; current and projected spending levels to support sales, marketing, development and administrative activities; and other risk factors discussed in Connetics' publicly filed documents. The above guidance does not take into account the potential impact of other components of Connetics' growth strategy, including possible future acquisitions of products, businesses and/or technologies.

#### **Conference Call**

Connetics management will host a conference call to discuss the Company's financial performance today at 4:30 p.m. Eastern time/1:30 p.m. Pacific time. To participate in the live call, domestic callers should dial (888) 328-2575, international callers should dial (706) 643-0459 or the web cast can be accessed from the investor relations section of the Company's website at [www.connetics.com](http://www.connetics.com). A telephone replay can be accessed for 48 hours beginning today at 6:30 p.m. Eastern time/3:30 p.m. Pacific time by dialing (800) 642-1687 from the U.S., or (706) 645-9291 from outside the U.S. The Conference ID# is 8090667. The internet replay of the call will be available for 30 days at [www.connetics.com](http://www.connetics.com).

#### **About Connetics**

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treat seborrheic dermatitis; and Velac<sup>®</sup> (a combination of 1% clindamycin and 0.025% tretinoin) Gel, to treat acne. Connetics' product formulations are designed to improve the management of dermatological diseases and provide significant product differentiation. In Connetics' marketed products, these formulations have earned wide acceptance by both physicians and patients due to their clinical effectiveness, high quality and cosmetic elegance. For more information about Connetics and its products, please visit [www.connetics.com](http://www.connetics.com).

Note: Rogaine<sup>®</sup> is a registered trademark of Pfizer, Inc. (formerly Pharmacia Corporation). Nothing in this press release should be construed to reflect commercial timing for this product.

#### **Forward Looking Statements**

Except for historical information, this press release includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Securities Litigation Reform Act. In particular, there can be no assurances as to when Connetics will be able to complete its restatement and file restated financial statements and amended reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission or the potential effects of any delays in such filings. All statements included in this press release that address activities, events or developments that Connetics expects, believes or anticipates will or may occur in the future, including, particularly, statements about its restatement and amended Securities and Exchange Commission filings, sales growth of its product portfolio, revenues resulting from product sales and global licenses, the timing and impact of approvals, earnings estimates, future financial performance and financial guidance, are forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements are based on assumptions made by Connetics' management based on its experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions, expected future developments and other factors it believes are appropriate in the circumstances. Such statements are subject to a number of assumptions, risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond Connetics' control, and which could cause actual results or events to differ materially from those expressed in such forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to, risks and other factors that are discussed in documents filed by Connetics with the Securities and Exchange Commission from time to time, including Connetics' Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005. Forward-looking statements represent the judgment of the Company's management as of the date of this release, and Connetics disclaims any intent or obligation to update any forward-looking statements.

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**CONNETICS CORPORATION**  
**Preliminary Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations**  
(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

	<u>Three Months</u> <u>Ended March 31</u> <u>2006</u>
Revenues:	
Product	\$ 47,267
Royalty and contract	394
Total revenues	47,661
Operating costs and expenses:	
Cost of product revenues	3,700
Research and development	8,417
Selling, general and administrative	30,812
Amortization of intangible assets	3,902
Total operating costs and expenses	46,831
Income from operations	830
Interest and other income (expense), net	429
Provision for income taxes	(491)
Net income	\$ 768
Net income per share:	
Basic	\$ 0.02
Diluted	\$ 0.02
Shares used to calculate net income per share:	
Basic	33,646
Diluted	35,076

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**CONNETICS CORPORATION**  
**Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Earnings Per Share**  
**(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)**  
**(Unaudited)**

On January 1, 2006, we adopted SFAS 123(R) and recorded stock-based compensation expense during the three months ended March 31, 2006. The table below presents net income excluding stock-based compensation, which is a Non-GAAP measure used by the Company when evaluating its financial results as well as for internal planning and forecasting purposes. This Non-GAAP measure should not be considered a substitute for or superior to financial measures calculated in accordance with GAAP. The following is a reconciliation of our GAAP and non-GAAP net income (in thousands, except per share amounts):

Net income (GAAP)	\$ 768
Stock-based compensation expense:	
Selling, general and administrative	1,279
Research and development	349
Total stock-based compensation expense	1,628
Net income excluding stock-based Compensation expense (Non-GAAP) (1)	\$ 2,396
Shares used in per share calculation – diluted (Non- GAAP)	35,076
Net income per share – diluted, excluding stock-based Compensation expense (Non-GAAP)	\$ 0.07

(1) Due to the Company's deferred tax assets being offset by a valuation allowance, there is no tax impact from the stock-based compensation expense.



**CONNETICS CORPORATION**  
**Preliminary Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet**  
(In thousands)  
(Unaudited)

	<b>March 31, 2006</b>
<b>Assets</b>	
Assets:	
Cash, cash equivalents and investments	\$ 244,198
Restricted cash	4,059
Accounts receivable and other current assets	46,366
Other intangible assets, net	123,697
Property and equipment, net	14,296
Other long-term assets	11,981
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 444,597</b>

<b>Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity</b>	
Liabilities and stockholders' equity:	
Current liabilities (1)	\$ 48,700
Long-term liabilities	290,526
Stockholders' equity (1)	105,371
<b>Total liabilities and stockholders' equity</b>	<b>\$ 444,597</b>

- (1) Current Liabilities have been increased and Stockholders' Equity has been decreased by \$8.5 million, the mid-point of the \$8.0 million to \$9.0 million estimate for increased rebate reserves, compared to the December 31, 2005 Balance Sheet included in the filed 2005 Form 10-K. This preliminary number represents an estimate of the incremental rebate reserve and related cumulative net income impact as of December 31, 2005.
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**FORM 8-K**  
CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
July 10, 2006

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

**CONNETICS CORPORATION**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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94-3173928

(State or Other  
Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

(Commission File No.)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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On July 10, 2006, Connetics Corporation (the "**Company**") issued a press release announcing it expects results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2006, and for the full year 2006, to be below the Company's guidance provided on May 3, 2006 and that it is withdrawing previous full year 2006 financial guidance.

The shortfall in second quarter revenue is due, in part, to the Company's decision to ship product volumes that were below estimated prescription demand in the second quarter by approximately \$7 million, a greater amount than originally planned, as well as to lower product orders from an international distributor.

Because shipments to the Company's wholesalers will be below levels indicated by end user prescription demand, the Company's net product revenues under GAAP reported in its quarterly and annual financial statements will be below levels previously indicated. The Company anticipates these actions may result in lower levels of accounts receivable due to the reductions in shipments, slower increases or potential decreases in returns and chargeback allowances and accruals for rebates reserves on the Company's balance sheet, and potential write-offs of excess finished goods inventory balances, all of which could affect the Company's liquidity. Any future changes in prescription demand will impact the amount of inventory reductions necessary to achieve desired levels of inventory in the distribution channel. The Company believes that its reduction of inventory levels in the distribution channel is consistent with improved wholesaler reporting, improved distribution logistics under centralized warehousing offerings from the Company's largest wholesalers, and the relative maturity of most of its products.

In addition, the press release provided an update on the Company's pending restatement of its 2005 financial statements, as initially described in the Company's press release dated May 3, 2006.

A copy of the July 10, 2006 press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The information contained in this Item 2.02 shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, and is not incorporated by reference into any filing of the Company under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, whether made before or after the date hereof and irrespective of any general incorporation language in the filing.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
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CONNETICS CORPORATION

By: /s/ Katrina J. Church

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Executive Vice President, Legal Affairs  
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Date: July 10, 2006

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**CONNETICS EXPECTS SECOND QUARTER FINANCIAL RESULTS  
TO BE BELOW PRIOR COMPANY GUIDANCE  
Withdraws Previous Full-Year Financial Guidance**

**PALO ALTO, Calif. (July 10, 2006)** — **Connetics Corporation (Nasdaq: CNCT)**, a specialty pharmaceutical company that develops and commercializes dermatology products, today announced it expects revenues and earnings per share for the second quarter, and for the full year 2006, to be materially below the amounts included in the guidance that the Company provided on May 3, 2006. The shortfall in second quarter revenue is due, in part, to the Company's decision to reduce wholesaler inventory by shipping product volumes that were below estimated prescription demand, and due to lower product orders from an international distributor. By shipping less than demand, overall wholesaler inventory levels for the Company's products have been reduced by approximately \$7 million, a greater amount than originally planned. The Company estimates that wholesalers had on average approximately three and one-half months of inventory on hand as of June 30, 2006. The Company intends to continue to ship below estimated prescription demand during the remainder of 2006, with a goal of further reducing average wholesaler inventory levels to approximately two months on hand by the end of 2006. As announced on May 3, 2006, Connetics has delayed filing its Form 10-Q for the first quarter of 2006 until completion of a restatement of financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2005, and potentially additional periods, which will affect the financial statements to be included in its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. As previously announced, Connetics has determined that its rebate reserves as of the end of 2005 were understated, and that the rebate accruals had not been adequately capturing the full liability associated with units at distributors. The Company has largely completed its internal work regarding its reserves analysis, and is evaluating and resolving items in addition to rebate reserves that could materially impact the restated periods or the Company's results for the first quarter of 2006. Completion of the restatement remains subject to further review by the Company's Audit Committee and independent auditors.

Connetics will file its Form 10-Q for the first quarter of 2006 as well as its restated financial statements in amendments to prior reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission as soon as is practicable. Given the restatement, investors should rely on Connetics' forthcoming restated financial statements and other financial information rather than previously filed financial statements and other financial information.

In light of the matters discussed in this news release, the Company is withdrawing its 2006 financial guidance previously provided on May 3, 2006. The Company expects to provide an update on its business and second quarter results in August.

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#### **Forward Looking Statements and Estimates**

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